

## Claxton Parish Council

### **Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 in Claxton Village Hall (Subject to amendment until signed by the Chair at the next meeting)**

<b>Parish Councillors present</b>	David Hamblin (Chair), Jos Harwood (Vice-Chair/Chair), Sue Wallis-Garcia, Andrew Mussell
<b>County Councillor</b>	None
<b>District Councillor</b>	None
<b>Also in attendance</b>	Charlotte Rust – Parish Clerk
<b>Members of the public (MOP)</b>	Five, this went to six following the resignation of the Chair, David Hamblin

The meeting commenced at 20:11pm, following the Annual Parish Meeting.

#### **24.46 Welcome from the Chair.**

Chair D Hamblin welcomed all those in attendance to the meeting.

#### **24.47 To elect Chair and Vice-Chair and receive signed Declarations of Office.**

Chair D Hamblin announced his decision to step down as Chair and Councillor to Claxton Parish Council. The Parish Council would like to thank David for all his efforts during his 12-years of service and wish him all the best for the future.

Councillor S Wallis-Garcia proposed to elect Councillor J Harwood as Chair, seconded by Councillor A Mussell. Councillor J Harwood proposed to elected Councillor A Gidlow as Vice-Chair, seconded by Councillor S Wallis-Garcia.

The clerk received the signed declaration of office from Chair J Harwood and will get Councillor A Gidlow's upon his return.

#### **24.48 To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

Councillors' A Gidlow and V Thomson sent their apologies.

#### **24.49 To receive any declarations of interest from Members & consider requests for dispensation.**

None.

#### **24.50 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 19th March 2024.**

Councillor A Mussell proposed for Councillor J Harwood to sign the approved minutes, seconded by Councillor S Wallis-Garcia.

#### **24.51 Adjournment for Public Participation (15 minutes allowed for). This provides an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions about and comment on items on the agenda before the Council make decisions.**

##### Speeding

A parishioner raised the issue of the two speed limits within Claxton: the national speed limit and 30 mph, leading to vehicles driving dangerously along the country lanes. Councillor J Harwood urges parishioner to report any accidents and obtain an accident reference number, as this will help support the Community Speed Watch. She explained the procedures of the Community Speed Watch and confirmed that traffic issues will be an ongoing item on the agenda.

Another parishioner supported this by saying that there is more traffic on Folly Lane due to the ongoing closure of Green Lane, busier school runs and satellite navigation systems taking vehicles down the 'quickest' route.

Councillor A Mussell urged pedestrians to taking the necessary safety precautions when walking in the village.

##### Grass cutting

A parishioner read out a request on behalf of another parishioner regarding the height of the vegetation on the banks of Folly Lane. The Clerk informed the Parish Council it could not discuss this item as it was not on May's agenda, however she will respond to the parishioner and take the necessary steps.

##### Erection a flagpole at the Village Hall